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THE CHISELHURST CONSPIRACY. France, probably marked the beginning of Government That this was the object of the assemblage ledged himself to abide by the verdict of a plebiscite, and threw down the gauntlet to his opponents to appeal to the people. The question of the character of the future government of France is thereby forced upon the people as an issue which demands imment of the House in such emergencies, and ment of the House in such emergencies, and ment of the House in such emergencies, and compare it with the lack of leadership which ment of the House in such emergencies, and compare it with the lack of leadership which the transportation always have a poor story or gason.

It was not a Advertise to push the reconstruction to catch just such gudgeons with as the Post and Advertise are pretending to be. If the Republican party is to be defeated because it compels would-be-rogues to pay their taxes in order that the burdens of honest men may be lighter, it certainly could not be defeated in a better that the burdens of honest men may be lighter, it certainly could not be defeated in a better that the burdens of honest men may be lighter, it certainly could not be defeated in a better that the burdens of honest men may be lighter, it certainly could not be defeated in a better that the burdens of honest men may be lighter, it certainly could not be defeated in a better that the burdens of honest men may be lighter, it certainly could not be defeated in a better that the burdens of honest men may be lighter, it certainly could not be defeated in a better that the burdens of honest men may be lighter.

Open from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. Wellows and saturation that the burde circumstances of his exile, but which is far manding man like Gen. Butler does not repfrom being Napoleonic. In fact, he proposes a peaceable solution, instead of either not espoused the drooping cause of the

about equally divided between the Orlean-They do not disguise the fact that the youthin one or in twenty years. They base their centralized form of government. In other words, they believe that republicanism in France is so liable to communistic tendencies as to provoke decided opposition among the more intelligent of the people to a re public. It is related that some one remarked to the Duke de Broglie, not long ago, that he was restoring all the institutions of the empire, and advised him to take care not to restore the empire itself. He replied that York and Boston that the practice of pay-be would rather do that than have his ment of informers' moieties is something throat cut. This incident seems to convey a new—something which has originated with truthful idea of the tendencies of the French the Sanborn contracts. But this is not the people as appreciated by their leaders. Inct. The practice is as old as our revenue in this be true it is evident that the Government of France will naturally gravitate, in the separation from the colonies. The colresponse to the desires of the people, to extremes, and the extreme which assures comparative peace under an empire tofore, and have derived a very large poris more preferable than that which tion of the emoluments of their several from an American standpoint that an intel- The system is based upon the same principl ligent people are willing to accept the mere which makes a State's witness of one fiction of a name as the head of their Government. They cannot expect that this boy, yet under the control of tutors, is possessed now of the metal required of a Napoleonic leader, however much they may hope that in his maturer years he may de-velop it. Napoleonism, it should be under-stood, comprehends something more than the mere symbol of power. It means an arbitrary exercise of power itself, and the poration method of settlement is interfered with and the perquisites of the Government officers are lessened and their module. under Napoleon III. was a mere pretence. operand; somewhat exposed.

The great Napoleon, in whose history the "It is only a custom-house cath" has fo

of a boy with a great name, but really under the control of men whose only title to conideration resides in the fact that they were

WANTED .- A CHEAP TRANSPOR

We are having a great deal of desulto written speeches. If they are not satisfied they should combine together to force the present will continue at Tenth and D appropriation bills out of the way and prevent the consideration of, or action upon, relations with the paper will call. Due any other measures, until some provision tice will be given of the removal of the has been made to relieve the farmers of Treasury but for the law authorizing conwill be given of the new REPUBLICAN their section from the incubus which now tracts. Much of this sum will now be colweighs so heavily upon them. But the trouble seems to be that they are possessed THE DISTRICT INVESTIGATION—

with an extraordinary veneration for the AN EXPLANATION.

We have received one or two anonymous letters in regard to the non-publication is against them a few days ago, and only falled because the support upon this journal yesterday of the arguments become the District investigating committee.

The regularmentary usage that the definition which the definit with an extraordinary vene ration for the Tuesday. As a rule we pay no attention to communications which are unaccompanied by the name and address of the writers. The parliamentary usage in their efforts to evade the law to the amount of millions annually when they this committee or the Ways and Means is know that this same sum must be added to The name and address of the winds one of those hereditary inflictions which the taxes of and collected from those who or persons who have written us, and who are visited upon us for some inexplicable are too cowardly to give their names, we reason, but it is as religiously followed as if desire to say that we did not print the argu- it were a fixed law, the violation of which would incur lasting ruin to our forms of legislation. The truth is that its violation would merely incur the disfavor, and perhaps the chagrin of a few members, who maturally have some pride in the manage-ment of bills reported by them. In former

divided honors, which descended to it either through custom or mistaken courtesy. It is impossible to detract one jot or tittle from the real merit and impossible to detract one The recent assemblage of Bonapartists at urgent prominence of its duties, Chiselhurst, on the occasion of the eighteenth birthday of the Prince Imperial of sity of providing for the expenses of the ent, but this can be done without a new and important era in the history of interfering with matters of equal if not parthat country. The attendance was com-posed of prominent Frenchmen, including we have alluded, when the Ways and Means M. Ollivier and Rouher, the Duke De was divided, and Thad. Stevens became Grammont and others, whose devotion to chairman of the new committee, his ac-Napoleonism is only second to their loyalty knowledged force as a leader added much to France as the country of their birth. In to the dignity of its labors: but the sturdy short, everything seemed to be in readiness old statesman never allowed its work to into take up the young Prince and the bones terfere with the evident duty of the House of his father and carry them to Paris as the to act upon questions reported from other basis for the establishment of the empire. committees. He was also an active member at one time of the Reconstruction Comno one will deny, and that the meeting was mittee, the reports from which furnished a very promising omen of the accomplish- the basis upon which the Southern States ment of that object is also apparent. The were readmitted into the Union. The im-British journals, we are told, generally con- portance of these reports no one will deny, sider the demonstration a success, and it but we insist that they were not more imstrikes us that the address of the young portant then, from a purely political point strikes us that the address of the young Prince was shrewdly calculated to arouse the pride of the French nation in the memories of his family name and to inspire the Bonapartists to new exertions for the restonation of the throne. He put the question of the country were fairly and squarely before the people, and

Mr. Stevens, were he alive to-day, would in the strike of the country were the productive interests of the country were then in under valuation on false into the put the question of the throne. He put the question of the country were the people, and

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The rate of interest on deposits made in the laws and blast and sold on comissions. Special attention of collections made on all points. Specia fairly and squarely before the people, and pledged himself to abide by the verdict of a take this view of the matter, and he would plebiscite, and threw down the gauntlet to push aside the appropriation his opponents to appeal to the people. The bills and push forward the transportation his opponents to appeal to the people. The bills and push forward the transportation his opponents to appeal to the people. The bills and push forward the transportation his opponents to appeal to the people. The bills and push forward the transportation linearly in case of detection to catch linearly in the plunder. But they can want manufacture and in many on deposit up to Mirch linearly and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will be a per can, put and all money on deposit up to Mirch linearly process. I will

an appeal to arms or a restoration of the farmers. Mr. McCrary, as we have said, empire by a bold stroke of policy, such as made a gallant fight, but he lacked the would have been expected from the ability to "whip the House into the traces," 'Nephew of his Uncle" and this boy's as Stevens could, and to compel members to forego their interest for the time being in If the current of public opinion in France especial clauses of the appropriation bills is so irresistibly in favor of a plebiscite as providing for the erection of public build the young Prince asserted, he may rest as- ings or the salary of some active partisan sured that his elevation to the throne is vir- official. The truth is that the House tually a question of very brief time. Of devotes too much of its time to individual the nine million of votes cast at the last interests, and neglects the general welfare plebiscite, in 1870, his friends claim that at of the country for the purpose of serving least five millions will now be cast for him, personal friends and promoting especial ob-and that the remaining four millions will be provement of a harbor or river in his disists and the Republicans. They are confi- trict, is inclined to devote his energies to dent that this calculation is correct, and M. | the accomplishment of that object rather Ollivier himself is given as authority for it. than to anything else, while another makes the same sacrifice for the purpose of erectful age of the young stripling is an arguing a new judicial district in his State. In ment against his immediate promotion, and this way the force of party action is divided it is not impossible that they intend merely and peddled out for individual gain, while to make a beginning now, knowing that a really important party measures are ig-plebiscite may be invoked again and again nored. Each member, no doubt, believes himself to be ready to act promptly when str faith in his success upon the assumption that the time comes for action, but the trouble the French people are not ready for, perhaps are not constituted for, and certainly do not desire, any other than a strong and centralized form of government. In other right here, and when Mr. McCrary at right here, and when Mr. McCrary attempted to rally his friends for action he realized its force. The next time he makes the effort it is to be hoped that he will be

rewarded with better success.

INFORMERS AND MOIETIES. The impression is very naturally received from the reading of the newspapers of New ils bloodshed and agrarianism under a positions in the great importing districts of mune. But it seems strange indeed New York and Boston from this source.

"It is only a custom-house eath" has for years been a phrase as familiar as household words to the ears of Wall street and Long gives strength to that idea. The men who have charge of the young Prince now, and his mother the Empress, understand this thoroughly. The proposition for a plablecite in theirs, and they know that its success will empress to them a return to the post. will guarantee to them a return to the positions from which they fell after the disaster
at Sedan. It remains to be seen whether
the French people are willing, then, to his intentions, pay the delinquent taxes

meelves under the nominal control when found out, and all things were con It is and long has been a notorious fact sideration resides in the fact that they were the trusted ministers and friends of his father. It is not to be steputh, in view of the lessons of the part, and particularly and the lessons of the part, and particularly and the second of the part, and particularly and the second of the part, and particularly and to their employers be their one particularly and the second of American with the second nearest to the intricutes of the particular of the second nearest to the intricutes of the second nearest to the not present the modern of the second nearest to the intricutes of the second nearest to the intricutes of the second nearest to the not present that the leading members of such that the leading members of such the second nearest to the intricutes of the second nearest to the intricutes of the second nearest to the not present the tendency of the second nearest to the not present the second nearest to the nation of the nation of the second nearest to the nation of the nation of

TATION LEADER.

We are having a great deal of desultory talk in the House just now regarding the cheap transportation question. It gives the members a chance to ventilate their views in the official report of the debates, and enables them to send their speeches on this absorbing topic to their constituents. The Western members have very generally availed themselves of the opportunity to do all this, and it seems that some of them are satisfied that their duty has been completed when they finished making their carefully-written speeches. If they are not satisfied that their employees were instructed and It is now susceptible of de

that there are now collectable of delingu taxes, including internal and customs reve-nues, upwards of twenty millions of dollars, which would have been lost to the lected by the regular officers without the intervention of the contractors, owing to the ventilation which the delinquents have re-

honestly pay their legal dues? The legal taxes are added to the cost of imported goods, and are collected from the consu when he purchases his supplies, so that what is kept from the Treasury is either what is kept from the Treasury is either enjoyed by the importer in enhanced profits removed office to his residence, its faccond to the prejudice of his honest neighbor, or street, third door from Pennsylvania ave. jans-im to the prejudice of his honest neighbor, or ed from the wholesale prices by which he is undersold, and perhaps driven o bankruptcy.

mittees were performed by the Ways and It does not do to say that houses of fifty years' standing are ignorant of the laws. The truth is that they too often dictate now exists why bills reported from the latthem. When they do not, they take meas-ures to be early informed upon their tenor, that they may predicate their contracts for matters now stand, the Appropriation Comthe future upon their provisions. Our collectors, surveyors and naval officers at large ports have made immense fortunes out of their moieties for many years past, but we have heard no complaints of their proceed ings, because the heavy houses knew how to handle them. It is the vigilance of the young blood and the operation of the new system that is now objected to, because it is no respecter of wealth or persons.

According to the Evening Post and Boston Advertiser, the Administration is killing itself by the appointment of men to office who compel rich merchants to pay their taxes as promptly as they do the poor eigar-maker. In one and the same breath these journals charge pie Drug Store. the defeat in New Hampshire to extravagan of expenditures and to the appointment of im proper tax-gatherers—meaning Simmons and Sanborn. It may seem to be all very well for these journals to stand by what they concel to be the interests of their friends and patrons the merchants; but they can never make mem bers of Congress or their readers believe that

CRATTY. On the 17th in-tant, ALOYSICS, sor of the late War. P. and Helena M. Cratty, aged two CRATTY.—On the bit in the Cratty, aged two of the late War. P. and Helena M. Cratty, aged two years, four months and five days.

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